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Riviersonderend Ratepayers' Association
Clive Sandenbergh

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Dear Mr Sandenbergh

We refer to your objection in respect of the draft budget and wish to comment as follows:

The comparison between expenditure and revenue for Riviersonderend for the 2017/18 financial year did not take overhead costs into account and capital spend was not included either.

Please take note that cross-subsidisation in Theewaterskloof is unavoidable as the total municipal area is served by shared resources that have significant overhead costs. Nonetheless, the **2019-2020 budget reflects R18,6 million for direct operational and capital expenditure** for Riviersonderend, which once again excludes other shared costs (services delivered for Riviersonderend in directly related structures and processes by Theewaterskloof Municipality).

Water pipes:

Each breakage in the water network differs and various methods are used during repairs. The material used is PVC and the joints are made of non-corrosive material.

Gravel roads:

The gravel roads are graded in terms of a predetermined programme and/or as our grader is available.

Water treatment works in Riviersonderend:

We are currently busy with the tender to “Design, manufacture, install, commission and operation and maintenance of water purification package plants Greyton and Riviersonderend”. It has to be advertised within the next few weeks and will be awarded by August 2019 if everything goes to plan. The contract will be for 9 years and 11 months and will be maintained and managed by the external service provider.

We thank you for your comment and wish to assure you that the authority is doing everything in its power to improve sustainability and to minimise costs.

Yours sincerely

Mr G Matthyse
Municipal Manager